


Application No. 10/064,607  
Docket No. 17MY-7089  
Amendment dated July 29, 2003  
Reply to Office Action of March 31, 2003

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace paragraph [0004] with the following amended paragraph:

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 [0004] While GTD-222 has been proven to perform well as the alloy for latter stage nozzles of gas turbine engines, alternatives would be desirable. Of current interest is the reduction in tantalum used in view of its high cost. However, the properties of an alloy with a reduced tantalum content would preferably be closely matched with ~~match~~ those of GTD-222, particularly for use as the alloy for second and third stage nozzles.

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